

THE MEDINA SENTINEL

Volume XXXII

The Paper That

the News While It Is News.

MEDINA, O., DECEMBER 3, 1915

The Paper That Advocates Boosting Home Trade.

No. 14

G. W. ROSHON DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

At 9:30 o'clock Tuesday night, Nov. 30, death claimed George Washington Roshon at his home on Lafayette road, after an illness of only two or three days. While in failing health for the past year and a half, he was able to perform his duties at the Bending Works, where he had been employed for some years, until the end of last week. In fact he was up town Saturday afternoon and was not taken violently ill until Sunday afternoon, when it was learned that he had contracted congestion of the lungs.

The deceased was born in Montville township Aug. 26, 1851, the son of Isaac and Mary Ann Roshon, who came to Medina county from Pennsylvania. The family was a large one, the only members now surviving being William, Eli, Albert and Isaac Roshon and Mrs. Wm. Cane, all of Medina. Geo. W. Roshon took for his life companion Jane Coates, also of Medina and to them were born two daughters, Mrs. John Crocker and Mrs. Wm. Kane, both of this village. He pursued the life of a farmer until about 14 years ago, when he entered the employ of the A. I. Root Co., remaining there until three or four years ago, when he went to work at the bending works.

He was a man who made many friends and was able to keep them. A hard working man all his life, he has rested from his labors.

The funeral will be held from the home this afternoon at 1 o'clock, central time, after which burial will be made in the cemetery at Poe. Rev. F. W. Hays will conduct the services.

FORMER MEDINA GIRL GETS IN TROUBLE AGAIN

The following, clipped from the Cleveland News of Friday evening, will recall to many of our readers the troubles of the young girl referred to while she made her home in Medina about a year ago and which led to her being committed by the probate court to the care of the State Board of Charities last April. She was a familiar figure on the streets here, day and night, calling miserably from one end of town to the other, not infrequently in the company of different ones of the town boys. At first she was cautioned in a kindly manner by both Sheriff Gehman and Marshal Gates. Later she was formerly placed under arrest and detained in the county jail until her case could be disposed of.

From the News:
"On the age of Ida Lee, Medina girl, depends the fate of William and John Coleman and Lee Richards, all charged with contributing to her delinquency."

The girl, who came to Cleveland from Medina two months ago, was arrested ten days ago. When the case came up in juvenile court Friday her attorneys asked a continuance, claiming that they could prove she was over eighteen. She claims she was seventeen July 2.

"I only know what I was told," Ida said between sobs. "They told me I was born in Kentucky and that my mother died when I was three years old. When I started to school, I asked father how old I was and he told me I was born in 1898."

After the girl's father died, she was sent to an orphan asylum. She was later adopted by a Medina family."

O. S. U. ALUMNI BANQUET

"Ohio State University and Her Progress" was the theme of more than half a hundred alumni, who graduated at Ye Tavern, Leroy, last Friday evening. Judging from the hilarity and good humor which prevailed, there are no old State graduates in Medina county, altho in a burst of confidence A. T. Abbott admitted that he was a student there in 1895. No ladies could be found who attended prior to 1909.

W. S. Edmund presided as toastmaster and responses were made by C. M. McCracken of Columbus, Arthur Abbott of Wadsworth and William Bensinger of Lodi. Carl Lowe led the cheers and Helen Hobart, the singing, in which everybody joined. Tom Phillips was elected county secretary and W. S. Edmund chairman, while a steering committee of A. T. Abbott, E. A. Rowland, Dana Reynolds, Helen Hobart and Vergil Damon, was appointed.

16 REASONS FOR NEW TRIAL

Dr. J. W. Lehr of Wooster who was found guilty Wednesday of performing a criminal operation on Margaret Hogue of Brunswick, filed a motion in common pleas court through his attorneys for a new trial Saturday. Sixteen reasons are given why Wednesday's verdict should be set aside.

Judge L. R. Critchfield stated Monday that the motion for a new trial for Dr. Lehr by his attorneys would probably not be heard this week. He said the state wants time to prepare some affidavits which they expect to file.

GRANGER PIONEER ANSWERS LAST CALL

Granger lost one of her pioneer women last Friday night when death came to Mrs. Melissa Boughton at the advanced age of 75 years, 10 months and 20 days. Pneumonia was the cause of her death. The deceased was born in Granger township in 1840 and had resided there throughout her long life. She is survived by one son, A. E. Boughton of Granger. The family home was about two miles east of Granger center.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, conducted by Rev. Charles Searles. Burial was made in Shaw cemetery at Bath.

PAUL CROCKER TOOK BUCKEYE CORN TRIP

When it became known last week that no provision had been made for Paul Crocker, the champion corn grower of Granger, to enjoy the trip to Washington, Philadelphia and New York, along with the other top-notchers of the state, there was some stirring around in a hurry. Paul was notified to get ready and that sufficient funds for the trip would be placed in his hands upon his arrival in Medina on his way to Wooster to take the special train. As the car reached Medina he was promptly handed \$63 and assured of the best wishes of all those who contributed as well as the people of the county generally. Following are the names of the contributors, together with the respective sums the last named amount being received too late to be used:

Gazette \$5; District School Superintendents \$5; O. C. Shepard Co. \$10; V. A. Homan \$5; George Starr \$2; Fred Ganyard \$1; E. J. Tiernan \$5; R. O. Bowman \$10; the following from Granger township contributed \$1 each:

F. L. Reid, W. J. Allard, Y. M. C. A. Granger, S. H. Randall, Mrs. S. H. Randall, Laura Welton, W. G. Hatch, Geo. Dunsha, C. Z. Ganyard, L. W. Alper, A. R. Spellman, E. C. Kamball, A. P. Haight, S. H. Albertson, O. H. Cumberworth, Fitz Bros., F. O. Davis, Fred Davis, F. O. Glingery, Q. Wait, E. R. Aldred, C. P. Wyman.

HUNTERS SAY THAT SKUNK LAWS UNJUST

A veteran fur hunter and trapper in the southwest part of Medina county calls attention to the injustice of the present game law as it refers to the hunting season of racoon and skunk.

The law permits coon hunting Nov. 1, but the legal skunk season does not open until Nov. 15. Skunk, like coon, are a nocturnal prowler, and hunters who go out when the coon season opens, say that their dogs are continually running on to skunks and killing them.

"What are we going to do?" asked the trapper referred to, a few days since. "The law allows us to hunt coon, but protects skunk, which are running at the same time. To be fair, the law on coon and skunk should open at the same time instead of two weeks apart."

"Until this change is made skunks are bound to be killed out of season, as hunters will go out after coon when the season opens. There is no doubt but hundreds of skunks were killed this fall before the season opened."

"And it is the same with muskrats. The open season is from Jan. 1 to April 1. Hunters who have traps set for coon and skunk at this time of the year are sure to get muskrats in their traps and they can't avoid it unless they give up trapping."

"The laws should be fair and rational, instead of inconsistent and unjust. The season on all fur bearing animals should open and close at the same time."

"The present law affords little protection to skunk or muskrats, for pelts of these animals will be kept and finally sold in spite of the fact they were killed out of season. There are few hunters who will throw away a prime No. 1 skunk that their dog killed while they were cooning."

FORMER WEST POINTER SUE

Louis A. Merillat, of Chicago, West Point graduate and former captain of the Army football team, who has been sued for \$20,000 for breach of promise to marry by Miss Helen Van Ness, of Wooster, Ohio, has engaged Clarence Darrow, noted lawyer to fight the case.

Miss Van Ness alleges that despite her engagement to marry the former gridiron star, he married Miss Ethel E. Wynne, daughter of a Chicago Board of Trade operator, last August. Merillat is now a second lieutenant in the regular army and is stationed at Madison Barracks, New York.

Miss Van Ness is a sister of Mrs. Carl Young of this place and has visited here.

'NOTHER BIG PUMPKIN

Walter Ashley of Strongsville raised a pumpkin weighing 110 pounds. It contained 881 seeds.

JOSEPH ANDREW CROSSES THE BAR

Joseph Andrew is dead. "After life's fitful fever he sleeps well." The spirit of this aged, industrious life winged its flight on Wednesday of this week at mid-day. The deceased had been critically ill for many weeks and it was known by his family and friends that the end was soon to come. Despite his long illness it was not until a day or two before death that he lapsed into unconsciousness, from which he never returned.

Mr. Andrew was more than an ordinary man. Of a quiet and somewhat retiring demeanor one must have been with him much to know the depth of his integrity and learning. He cared naught for garish display, but cherished those things founded upon rectitude, benevolence and clean living. His was a genial disposition to all. Of a few words, but his kindly nature could be gleaned from the linaments of his countenance. The deceased had never identified himself with any religious denomination for reasons personal with himself. But his life was an



JOSEPH ANDREW

open book from which any one may gain an inspiration for correct living. He will be missed by many friends besides his widow and children and his associates in the banking institution of which he had been the head since January, 1898. His legal acumen was regarded of high order as attested by his brother associates at the Medina bar.

Joseph Andrew was born in Rochester, N. Y., October 4, 1840. His parents moved to Ohio when he was one year old and settled on a farm in Sharon township, where young Andrew grew up, he assisting in the farm work and attending school. In September, 1861, he enlisted in the 42d (Garfield's Regiment) O. V. I., he being a private in Company K, and served two years. He participated in the battles of Middle Creek, Cumberland Gap, Tazewell, Big Springs, Chickasaw Bluffs, Arkansas Post, Vicksburg campaign and the other battles of the regiment up to Champion Hills, where he was wounded, from the effects of which he lost his arm.

In the fall of 1863, he returned home and attended school at Baldwin-Wallace college, Berea. In the fall following, he was elected treasurer of Medina county and was re-elected in the fall of 1866, serving in all four years. In 1865, he began reading law with Messrs. Blake & Woodward, and was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1867. In 1869 he was elected clerk of courts, which position he held for six years, after which he associated in partnership with Mr. S. Woodward, the firm name being Woodward & Andrew. October 10, 1866, he married Miss Imogene, daughter of Jerome and Emily (Hall) Simmons; she was born in Granger. To them was born three children, Vernon R., Imogene C., and Edith.

The former is the wife of Mr. D. C. Shepard of Medina, and the latter the wife of Mr. Geo. Senyard of New York city, who with the widow, survive. One brother, John F. Andrew of Hingley also survives.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, 706 South Court street, Rev. H. S. Fritsch, officiating. Burial will be made in Spring Grove cemetery.

BIG FAMILIES IN STYLE

Large families have not gone out of style in Ohio. Last year, of the 98,710 births in the state, one was the nineteenth child in a family; one the eighteenth; four the seventeenth; eight the sixteenth; thirty-one the fifteenth; sixty-six the fourteenth; 137 the thirteenth; 242 the tenth.

These figures are shown by the statistics compiled in the bureau of vital statistics. Figures also show Summit county for three years has held the lead for the high birth rate. Last year it shows 31.5 per cent.

The lowest birthrate from any county was from Lake, where last year the rate dropped to 11.7. Union, Holmes and Marion are contenders with Lake for the lowest birth rate.

DEATH COMES TO A. D. SHELDON

A. D. Sheldon, one of the oldest and best-known men in Medina county, departed this life Wednesday morning, Dec. 1, at 1 o'clock, at the home of his daughter, Miss May Phelps, in Wellington, O., after an illness of several weeks. His own home was in Lafayette, where he had resided since a boy.

Notwithstanding his advanced years, the deceased had been a remarkably active man up to the time of his last illness. Throughout the summer he carried on his work as a surveyor and map maker and his work was as accurate as ever. It was he who laid the grade stakes for the paving between the tracks of the Southwestern line on West Liberty street and which work was only completed a few weeks ago.

Amos D. Sheldon was born Feb. 27, 1845, in Herkimer county, N. Y., and was the last surviving member of his parents' Hiram and Elrene (Jacobs) Sheldon's family. The latter emigrated to Ohio in May, 1849, locating on the farm in Lafayette where the family ever after continued to reside.

The early boyhood of the deceased was spent upon the farm and attending school, which advantages he improved and for ten terms he taught school successfully in different parts of the county. He has always been a man of more than ordinary ability and research, his qualifications being recognized to the extent that the people have called upon him, through the ballot box, to look after the school and township's interests, as school director, township clerk and trustee and land appraiser. In 1874, he was elected county surveyor and since re-elected at different times.

May 6, 1866, he was united in marriage to Sordella Childs, also a native of Medina county and who preceded the husband in death many years ago. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon—May E., Emma L., Bert C., and William H.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Baptist church in Medina, Rev. S. F. Dimmock, officiating. Burial in Spring Grove cemetery beside the body of his wife and daughter Emma.

BUCKEYE CORN PARTY TOURING THE EAST

Buckeye corn party touring the east 4 Nearly 200 boys and girls in all sections of Ohio Sunday night went to sleep with their grips packed with clothing and their heads packed with the excitement of the fourth annual Buckeye Corn Special tour to Washington, Philadelphia and New York, which began Monday.

The boys and girls earned the trips by raising corn in a form of contest initiated by A. P. Sanders, former president of the Ohio agricultural commission. More than 2,000 adults are to accompany the boys and girls on the trip. They will pay their expenses. The free trips for the children were donated by banks and generous Ohioans.

In this year's contest there were but 700 entries, a small number compared with 1914, when 2,600 boys and girls entered and approximately 1,000 won trips. The boys in the contest raised corn and livestock, and the girls also showed themselves proficient in domestic science.

The average yield of the contestants was seventy-three bushels of corn an acre. The average yield in the state is thirty-five bushels. The largest number of bushels of corn raised was 157.

County Commissioner Geo. Starr and wife boarded the special at Wooster Monday afternoon.

AKRON'S BIG AUTO SHOW

At the Akron Automobile and industrial show, Dec. 11-18, automobile exhibits and auto accessories will predominate, but there will be many other valuable and interesting exhibits of Akron's industries. The Portage Fish and Game Co. will exhibit a casting rod valued at \$2,500; it is split bamboo, hand carved, solid gold mounted and inlaid with jewels; was made by Abbie and Imbrie, New York city. It is an exact duplicate of a rod made by them for the Russian ambassador to the United States for Duke Alexis of Russia and is a beautiful work of art. A certified check for \$1,000 was required as a guarantee of its safe return. Mr. John Gammeter will also exhibit some of his game birds; he will show live turkeys, five different kinds of pheasants and other rare and beautiful birds. There will also be an elaborate display by The Portage Fish and Game Co. of game birds and fish.

—On Dec. 10, the Loyal Workers' class of the Church of Christ will present the three act comedy entitled, "Forty Thousand Dollars." The comedy will be staged in the auditorium of the Church of Christ.

BLUE SKY LAW WILL BE IN NEW HANDS

On Tuesday, Joseph H. Harper, of Washington C. H. retired as the head of the blue sky department of the state banking department. He was succeeded by B. H. Skidmore of East Liberty, who has been with the bureau for several weeks, familiarizing himself with its affairs.

Harper tendered his resignation last February, but State Bank Superintendent Harry T. Hall delayed accepting it so that Harper could retain and help to "break in" his successor. The blue sky department passes upon the right of security companies such as the Geiger-Jones Co. of Canton, to engage in business in the state.

DEATH IN DETROIT OF FORMER MEDINA GIRL

Many friends in Medina and vicinity were saddened this week over the tidings of the untimely death of Mrs. Marguerite Hunter (nee Blakeslee), which occurred Monday night from diphtheria in a hospital in Detroit.

Mrs. Hunter was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cass Blakeslee of Weymouth where the deceased lived until her marriage to Mr. E. Hunter about two years ago. She was born Aug. 13, 1893, thus being only 22 years and 11 months of age at the time of her death. She lived only a few hours after reaching the hospital.

The body, accompanied by the widow, arrived in Medina Wednesday morning. Thursday morning a short service was held at the place of interment at Medina center cemetery, conducted by Rev. S. F. Dimmock of the Medina Baptist church.

Besides the parents, the deceased is survived by three brothers, Henry, of Medina, Charles of Canal Dover, and Verne of Weymouth, and three sisters, Cora Darwin of Lorain, Alta Webster and Adella Young of Granger.

WADSWORTH ELECTION CASE ON MONDAY

The law suit over the vote on centralization in Wadsworth township on Nov. 2, came to a head Monday when the case was threshed out in common pleas court.

It will be remembered that, according to returns made by the election judges, the centralization proposition lost out by 8 votes. Later it was announced that several persons had voted who were not residents of the Wadsworth township school district at the time of the election, hence their ballots should not have been counted. Whereupon Thomas M. Auble, through his attorneys, Fred O. Smoyer and F. W. Woods, filed suit against the Wadsworth township Board of Education, asking that the findings of the clerks and judges of the election be set aside and reviewed.

The count of the ballots gave 117 for centralization and 125 against it. Auble claimed that the following men and some others were those who voted illegally: Ed. Steigerwalt, Peter Becker, Edwin Werner, L. K. Werkhiser, L. C. Yoder, Henry Gehman, I. Gansaulus and A. M. Overholt.

On Wednesday of last week Judge McClure issued an order to the Board of Deputy State Supervisors of Elections directing them to produce in open court on Monday, Nov. 29, the ballots of the school election at issue and named W. C. Smith and O. V. Van Deusen as master commissioners to recount the ballots. This they did on Monday and arrived at the same findings as that certified to the county board of elections by the Wadsworth township election judges, as given above. There were 10 ballots discarded originally because of the impossibility of determining the intent of the voters. Seven other ballots were set aside, one of which is said to have been mutilated. The other six were taken in charge by the court and their virtue as ballots will be decided upon later.

Of course centralization will have lost out by a very small margin, regardless of how the ballots in question are disposed of.

Judge McClure reserved his decision.

MUST CARRY CHILDREN

A recent opinion from Attorney General Turner says that where a rural school has been discontinued because attendance fell below 10, as provided for by law, it is the duty of the board of education to provide transportation to all pupils of the discontinued school who have to travel more than two miles to reach the school to which they have been assigned.

GORDON ON MILITARY

Both branches of Congress met Monday to perfect the organization of the national legislature. Of the various committees named, Congressman Wm. Gordon will again be a member of the committee on military affairs, a very important assignment.

DEATH SUMMONS MRS. R. W. CLARK

Mrs. Clarabel (Sipher) Clark, widow of the late Reuben Clark, died Wednesday morning at 4 o'clock at her home, 331 West Washington street, after an illness of less than two weeks. Arterio sclerosis, or hardening of the arteries, is given as the cause of her death. She had not been in the best of health for some time, yet her condition was not regarded as serious until a week ago last Saturday, when it was apparent to those with her and the attending physician that her condition was serious.

The deceased was born in Medina, June 10, 1854, the daughter of William and Jane Sipher, and had always been a resident of this village. She became the wife of Reuben W. Clark June 5, 1907, the latter being called by death in March of last year. She was an active member of the Eastern Star and Rebekah lodges and esteemed very highly by all who knew her.

She is survived by four brothers—W. H. Sipher of Medina, Dr. J. N. Sipher of Norwalk, Dr. Newell Sipher and Carl Sipher of Cleveland and Mrs. F. H. Leach of Medina, also a step-son Fred Clark of Medina.

Funeral services will be held at the home Friday morning at 10 o'clock central time, Rev. F. S. Fritsch officiating. Burial will be made in Spring Grove cemetery.

DRUNK, SHOOTS UP FOUNDRY ST. HOUSE

For fifteen or twenty minutes Thursday night, about 7 o'clock, a stranger on Foundry street near the foundry might have thought that the Jesse James gang had come back to earth and were reenacting one of their notorious shooting fusillades. But such was not the case. Andy Fedore was merely attempting to transform the residence of his countryman, Louis Saloga, into a fly screen.

First of all, Andy was drunk. Second, he became wrathful and wild-eyed when Louis refused to turn over to him some articles of clothing which Andy claimed as his own. Promptly upon emerging from the Saloga home Andy began shooting the windows out and had no time until he had popped it to the nouse ten times.

Meanwhile Pete Fetzal, a neighbor, put in a call for Sheriff Gehman. The latter hurried to the scene, but upon entering the Saloga house found it apparently deserted. Soon he detected mysterious sounds emanating from beneath a bed and upon investigation found the entire Saloga family in hiding there. The latter felt relieved that it was the sheriff and not Fedore who was there.

Later Sheriff Gehman arrested Fedore in a little grocery store near by, but while searching him Marshal John Gates appeared in answer to a call from another source and promptly relieved the sheriff of his burden. Fedore was lodged in the village bastille and before Mayor Randall Friday afternoon was given a fine of \$50 and costs. This was paid and Fedore was released.

BAIRD-BORTON NUPTIALS

On Thanksgiving day at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Baird in Creston, their daughter, Miss Mildred, was united in marriage to Mr. Lonzo Borton of New Decatur, Ala., at high noon. A very beautiful ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Smith of the Presbyterian church of Creston. Mrs. Zoe Prouty Boulton accompanied by Miss Beach of Seville, sang "O Promise Me." After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Borton left by automobile for their home in Alabama where they will be "at home" after Dec. 15.

The following guests were present: W. E. Hemmeyer, wife and children, Katherine and Lawrence, H. J. Barnabee and wife of this place; E. W. Brintnall and wife, H. M. Branch, wife and daughters of York; Prof. R. L. Baird and family of Troy, O.; Avery Wood and wife of Wadsworth; Mrs. William Smith and Miss Ruth Smith of Creston and Miss Hattie Harris of Akron.

SOME SKUNKS IN LITCHFIELD

Fred Thomas of Litchfield township appeared before Mayor Randall last Wednesday, on an affidavit charging him with violation of the game laws, sworn to by Deputy Fish and Game Warden Holcomb of Grafton. Thomas admitted having ten skunks in captivity some of which he had captured when young and had been caring for them, undoubtedly anticipating a good sell of fur when cold weather arrived. Mayor Randall imposed a fine of \$25 and costs, the latter amounting to \$5.55.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Earl Martin, formerly of Creston, but recently of Rittman, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Stella Dedrick, charging Martin with enticing her from Pittsburgh and living with her in a state of adultery. At his hearing in Wooster he was bound over to the grand jury and bond fixed at \$100. Many witnesses from Creston were on the stand.